Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Project Department of Pesticide Regulation 830 K Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Porterville Field Notes

Date: June 13-14, 2000

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Purpose: To survey treatment areas for sensitive sites and begin background sampling.

1) Surveyed Porter Slough that runs SE to NW through Porterville and GWSS infestation areas. Surveys were taken at roads crossing the Slough at Henderson Ave, Newcomb Ave, Porter Rd and at Springville Ave, the inlet of Porter Slough from Tule River. All sites were dry.





@Henderson

@Springville Ave.

2) Surveyed Tule River that runs east to west on the lower limit of Porterville and GWSS infested areas. At Cloverleaf St., the River was shallow less than a foot at the deepest and almost stagnant. A small goat and cow farm near the river and a dry creek leading into the River. At Jaye St. the River was dammed and diverted to a side ditch probably for agriculture irrigation use. An irrigation water district tractor sprayer was observed spraying riverbank for weed control. Arundo grass was common along the bank of the river. At Olive Ave the River ribboned and dried up in the sand.



@Cloverleaf St.



@Jaye St.



Dam@Jaye St



@Olive

- 3) Because of the general dry and low flow conditions and low probability that spray will runoff into these water bodies to cause significant impact to aquatic organisms, no water samples will be taken at this time.
- 4) We began 24-hour background air monitoring at the CHP station at Morton and Indiana with superb collaboration from Sgt. Jerry Hall.



Air Sampling. Roger with Sgt. Hall

5) Surveyed backyards with most generous help from Dan Bigham (Tulare Co. Ag) and the California Conservation Corps during their visual GWSS inspection. Plant materials commonly available for residue sampling were oranges, lemons, peaches, apricots, etc.





CCC team inspecting orange tree

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